

## DIANA OF THE CHASE

DETROIT GIRL WHO IS FOND OF BAGGING BIG GAME.

Miss Lillian B. Taylor, a Petite Beauty of Whom the City of the Straits Is as Proud as Can Be—Fond of Life on the Plains.

(Special Letter.)

Miss Lillian B. Taylor of Detroit, Mich., is a very remarkable young woman, who prefers to summer on a Western ranch instead of at a fashionable resort, and who shoots bears and kills rattlesnakes in place of playing golf, to pass away the time.

Miss Taylor's father owns a ranch in Montana, near Butte, and thither the young lady hied herself early in June, as she has been in the habit of doing for several summers past. She is a devotee of horseback riding, and one morning soon after her arrival at the ranch, while taking her constitutional, she found that the big traps had closed over a huge bear, who was growling and roaring in pain. Miss Lillian always carries her rifle when out on horseback, and as she neared the monster and viewed the situation, she raised her rifle, took good aim, and let fly a bullet that did the work without delay. Bruin gave one dying groan, and rolled over, a dead bear. The beast measured six feet in length.

Miss Taylor keeps her eye on the traps from day to day, and later she shot another bear, not quite so large.

Miss Taylor is passionately fond of the wild, free life of the ranch. She is a splendid shot and a superb horsewoman. She has owned a pony since she was 5 years of age, and her friends recall the times when she used to hitch up the pony, the cow, and the dog, tandem, and drive them about the back yard of her Detroit home. She rides horseback astride, wearing divided skirts, a red wool sweater and a wide-brimmed fedora hat. She is a blonde, small in stature, strong, athletic, bright and healthy. When she comes home to Detroit she avoids social functions, and loves rather to mount her horse and speed away on the boulevard. She is fond of reading and cares little for the companionship or admiration of the opposite sex.

But let it not be thought that Miss Taylor lacks womanly accomplishments. On the contrary, she is an unusually fine pianist and her instructor



LILLIAN B. TAYLOR.

declares that she promises to be a prodigy in this line. So acute is her ear for melody, and so deft her fingers to imitate, that her teacher refuses to play a new piece of music for her, lest she immediately play it back again for him—by ear, neglecting the necessary study.

Miss Taylor also adds to her accomplishments that of figure skating. It is as natural for her to glide over the ice like a bird on the wing as it is for the average young society woman to dance to the strains of the alluring waltz. Such an adept is this young lady in the art of managing the steel shoes that her former instructor said that he would like to take her to New York and see her skate against the prize winners at the rinks in that city. There is hardly a figure imaginable that she cannot cut upon the ice, and a very pretty picture she makes, as with reddened cheeks, sparkling eyes and hair wind-blown, she glides over the ice. She is what her friends call "a natural skater," and really seems to inherit the art, if one may be said to do so, as her mother, Mrs. Taylor, and her mother's sister, Mrs. Davis, are among the best skaters in that vicinity.

### To Tell Time by Sight.

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